January 12, 2017 Regular Town Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Town Board was called to order by Chairman Gaulke at 1:00 p.m. Supervisors Chris Mayer, Ginger Schwanebeck, Treasurer Irene Messinger and Clerk Nancy Edwards were present. Others present: Eric Johnson FYI News, Roberta Gast, Kay Hoff, Harold Jackson, Jim Sommerfeldt, Patrick Hayes and Abbie McEnroe from the Lakeland Times.

This meeting was properly posted and the media notified as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Motion by Mr. Mayer and seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve voucher numbers 49175-49269 from the General Fund, voucher numbers 1697 from the Ambulance Fund and voucher numbers 5337-5343 from the Tax Account Fund. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Gaulke to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2016 Regular Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2016 Special Town Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Messinger provided her report on the financial status as follows: Reconciled balance of the General fund as of 12/31/2016 as \$3,612,042.22. Reconciled balance of the Ambulance Fund as of 12/30/2016 as \$443,876.85. The treasurer transferred the money spent during the year out of the reserve fund to the General Fund. She has been very busy collecting taxes. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

<u>buoys.</u> Mr. Gaulke met with Patrick Hayes from the Gunlock/Shishebogama Lake Association along with Mark Hartzheim Chairman for the Town of Minocqua, and the DNR to discuss a plan for the association to put in slow no wake buoys primarily in the channel which have always been in the channel in the past. In order to do that the towns of Lac du Flambeau and Minocqua have to have a similar or mirrored ordinance because those two lakes fall over the town Lines. Pat is here today to answer any questions and is looking for the town of Lac du Flambeau to instate a no wake buoy ordinance and also they need the town to sign off for hazardous buoy markings. The DNR requires GPS locations for the buoys which are also listed in the ordinance. Mr. Mayer has concerns that all entities involved are notified. Mr. Hayes stated he would make sure all entities involved are aware of the ordinance. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to direct the chairman to pursue having the ordinance drafted for the slow no wake buoys by the

town attorney. Motion carried. The town will address the hazard buoys at a later date.

<u>Crawling Stone Lake petition to Vilas County: RE: Zoning issues:</u> Mr. Gaulke reported we received a letter from the Crawling Stone Lakes Association along with a petition regarding ACT 55. It is the same petition from the UW Extension which we received from the Ike Walton Lakes Association. They would also like the town to join in on the petition to the county regarding ACT 55. Mr. Gaulke would also like to address the issue that this would cover all the other lake associations as they come forward if similar in content.

A motion was made by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to approve the petition to the county by Crawling Stone Lake Association and all other LDF lake associations petitions similar in content if they come forward regarding ACT 55. Motion Carried.

<u>Solicit bids for LP for 2017:</u> The clerk reported our current pre-buy plan is now over. Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to solicit bids for LP for the remainder of 2017. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Mayer seconded by Mrs. Schwanebeck to adjourn at 1:30 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Edwards Town Clerk